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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

We are served by two broadband service providers in our rural town:

- a local company with ties to the community that has shown a commitment to service and support
- a huge telecommunications company with a reputation for poor customer service

Please consider the priorities of competition to keep rate hikes in check, and support local small telecoms.

Thank you.

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